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A classic pitch-black wartime thriller from the author of *An Untouched House* 'I immerse myself in the book, intimidated at first by its length, astonished afterwards to find I have read it at a single sitting... The suspense never falters' Milan Kundera *Under Nazi occupation*, Henri Osewoudt finds himself drawn into the resistance by his near-doppelgänger, the ruthless Dorbeck, Soon Osewoudt has entered a world that is a photo negative of his previous humdrum existence - carrying messages, helping British agents to escape and killing collaborators. But how much of it is real? *The Darkroom of Damocles* is a razor-sharp classic thriller set in a world where everything is permitted, even murder. As unsettling and morally challenging today as when it was first written.

Samenvatting en analyse van de novelle "Kaas" van Elsschot, voorafgegaan door een bespreking van diens oeuvre.

'It wasn't uncommon in my childhood for roti to be off the menu, because the rolling pin was broken again.' Ernest van der Kwast's childhood is peopled by an array of colourful characters: from his strait-laced Dutch father, to Bollywood star Uncle Sharma, and talented heptathlete Aunt Jasleen. But it is his overbearing yet loving Indian mother who is at the centre of this big-hearted, hilarious family saga. Veena van der Kwast is a woman with an iron will, hilarious directness, and a talent for haggling. Armed with her trusty rolling pin, every man she meets is eventually beaten to submission — especially her husband and three sons. Intriguing, surprising, and moving in equal measure, this novel inspired by a very unusual family will make you smile from beginning to end.

A riveting psychological thriller in the tradition of Hitchcock and

Stephen King--a tale of love and sorrow and obsession. Already the basis of a Dutch film hailed as "a small classic" by *The New Yorker*, this book has been remade into an American movie starring Kiefer Sutherland and Jeff Bridges, slated for release in early 1993.

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The importance of a minor language in the field of world literature Dutch literature is increasingly understood as a network of texts and poetics connected to other languages and literatures through translations and adaptations. In this book, a team of international researchers explores how Dutch literary texts cross linguistic, historical, geophysical, political, religious, and disciplinary borders, and reflects on a wide range of methods for studying these myriad border crossings. As a result, this volume provides insight into the international dissemination of Dutch literature and the position of a smaller, less-translated language within the field of world literature. The title *Doing Double Dutch* evokes a popular rope-skipping game in which two people turn two long jump ropes in opposite directions while a third person jumps them. A fitting metaphor for how literature circulates internationally: two dynamic spheres, the source culture and the target culture, engage one another in a complex pattern of movement resulting in a new literary work, translation, or adaptation formed somewhere in the middle. Contributors: Chiara Beltrami Gottmer (American International School of Rotterdam), Peter Boot (Huygens ING), Pieter Boulogne (KU Leuven), Elke Brems (KU Leuven), Michel De Dobbeleer (University of Ghent), Caroline de Westenholz (Louis Couperus Museum), Gillis Dorleijn (University of Groningen), Wilken Engelbrecht (Palacký University Olomouc), Veerle Fraeters (University

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Stay at the Villa des Roses and you will never be the same again. *How I Live Now* is an original and poignant book by Meg Rosoff, now a film tie-in edition to celebrate the release of the major film starring Saoirse Ronan. *How I Live Now* is the powerful and engaging story of Daisy, the precocious New Yorker and her English cousin Edmond, torn apart as war breaks out in London, from the multi award-winning Meg Rosoff. *How I Live Now* has been adapted for the big screen by Kevin Macdonald. Fifteen-year-old Daisy thinks she knows all about love. Her mother died giving birth to her, and now her dad has sent her away for the summer, to live in the English countryside with cousins she's never even met. There she'll discover what real love is: something violent, mysterious and wonderful. There her world will be turned upside down and a perfect summer will explode into a million bewildering pieces. How will Daisy live then? 'Fresh, honest, rude, funny. I put it down with tears on my face' - Julie Myerson, *Guardian* 'Assured, powerful, engaging . . . you will want to read everything that Rosoff is ca-

pable of writing' - Observer 'An unforgettable adventure' - Sunday Times Bestselling author Meg Rosoff has received great critical acclaim since the publication of her first novel *How I Live Now* (winner of the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize). Her other novels, *Just in Case* (winner of the 2007 Carnegie Medal), *The Bride's Farewell* and *What I Was* which was described by The Times as 'Samuel Beckett on ecstasy', are also available from Puffin. Follow Meg on Twitter @megrosoff. Also by Meg Rosoff: *How I Live Now*; *Just in Case*; *What I Was*; *The Bride's Farewell*; *There is No Dog*

Elsschots meesterlijke novelle *Kaas* is te lezen als een klassieke tragedie, al brengt de held (de kaasheld) het er levend vanaf'. Als bij een toneelstuk bevat het dan ook een lijst van 'elementen': Kaas. Kaasdroom. Kaasfilm. Kaasonderneming. Kaasdag. Kaascampagne. Kaasmijn. Kaaswereld. Kaasschip. Kaashandel. Kaasvak. Kaasroman. Kaaseters. Kaasmens. Kaasbol. Kaastrader. Kaastrust. Kaasdraak. Kaasellende. Kaastestament. Kaasfantasie. Kaasmuur. Kaaskwestie. Kaaswagen. Kaasbeproeving. Kaastoren. Kaaswond. G.A.F.P.A. General Antwerp Feeding Products Association. Kelder van't Blauwhoedenveem. Laarmans' kantoor met telefoon, bureau-ministre en schrijfmachine. Een tric-trac doos. Een mandvullies. Een grote kaaswinkel. Een kerkhof. Willem Elsschot (1882-1960), prozaschrijver en dichter, is een auteur die door iedere generatie lezers opnieuw wordt ontdekt en wiens werk steeds weer even levend en origineel blijkt, ook vele jaren na verschijning van de oorspronkelijke edities. Zijn Verzameld werk is al sinds 1957 in vele herdrukken verkrijgbaar. Hij werd onder meer onderscheiden met de Staatsprijs voor het proza en de Constantijn Huygensprijs.

De lotgevallen van een ambtenaar die een nieuw leven tracht te beginnen als agent van een kaasimport-firma. Bewerking als ballonstrip van de roman.

An imaginative, intriguing and dark fairytale. After many years Doctor Victor Hoppe returns to the small village he grew up in. His return after an absence of many years generates a lot of interest - and suspicion - as he is accompanied by three triplets, all of whom share the same physical deformity as the doctor - a hare lip. These children are very quiet and are rarely seen in the village. But with time, and a series of apparently miraculous cures and tales of the wife he lost, the doctor begins to win the villagers over. He hires an ex schoolmistress, Charlotte, to look after the

children. But the longer she works with the doctor, the more she begins to suspect that the children - and the doctor - aren't what they seem...

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Biografische schets van de Vlaamse schrijver (1882-1960).

Artikelen over leven en werk van de Vlaamse schrijver (1882-1960).

When the ambitious but inept clerk Frans Laarmans is offered a job managing an Edam distribution company in Antwerp, he jumps at the chance, despite his professed dislike for cheese in all its forms. He soon finds himself submerged in a bureaucratic nightmare as his complete incompetence becomes apparent. Meanwhile, his offices fill up with a seemingly infinite supply of the distinctive red-skinned cheeses, which he has no idea how to sell. Skewering the pomposity of big business while revealing how an entrepreneurial spirit can often be a mask for buffoonery, Willem Elsschot's *Cheese* combines comedy and pathos in its depiction of a man trying to progress beyond his limited skill set. As poignant as it is funny, *Cheese* will appeal to anyone who has suffered the endless indignities of office life.

In any definition of terms, Dutch literature must be taken to mean all literature written in Dutch, thus excluding literature in Frisian, even though Friesland is part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, in the same way as literature in Welsh would be excluded from a history of English literature. Similarly, literature in Afrikaans (South African Dutch) falls outside the scope of this book, as Afrikaans from the moment of its birth out of seventeenth-century Dutch grew up independently and must be regarded as a language in its own right. Dutch literature, then, is the literature written in Dutch as spoken in the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the so-called Flemish part of the Kingdom of Belgium, that is the area north of the linguistic frontier which runs east-west through Belgium passing slightly south of Brussels. For the modern period this definition is clear enough, but for former times it needs some explanation. What do we mean, for example, when we use the term 'Dutch' for the medieval period? In the Middle Ages there was no standard Dutch language, and when the term 'Dutch' is used in a medieval context it is a kind of collective word indicating a number of different but closely related Frankish dialects.

The most important of those were the dialects of the duchies of Limburg and Brabant, and of the counties of Flanders and Holland.

The abandoned daughter of Pablo Neruda speaks through "incandescent poetic prose full of magical realism, biographical details and psychological insight."

Mike doesn't get why people think he's boring. Sure, he doesn't have many friends. (OK, zero friends.) And everyone laughs at him when he reads his essays out loud in class. And he's never invited to parties. But one day Tschick, the odd new boy at school, shows up at Mike's house out of the blue. He dares him to go on a road trip with him. No parents, no map, no destination. Will they get hopelessly lost in the middle of nowhere? Probably. Will they meet crazy people and get into serious trouble? Definitely. But will they ever be called boring again? Not a chance. 'You will see the world with different eyes after reading this novel' Rolling Stone Winner of the German Teen Literature Prize

It is the Monaco Grand Prix in May 1968. Jack Preston, a mechanic for Team Sutton, is making the final checks on his car as the beau monde mingles with the drivers under the eyes of the world's press and the galleries of spectators. DeeDee, a starlet of great beauty, seems to be walking towards him, or perhaps towards the royal box. Without warning a fireball rips across the starting grid. Preston will always bear the scars as a consequence of his unthinking heroism, his saving the life and the beauty of the girl, but details of the accident remain vague - no photographs capturing the moment have come to light. Weeks later, Preston emerges from hospital and goes home to his wife in a remote English village from which the drab atmosphere of the 1950s has yet to recede. There, as he slowly recovers, he awaits word from his employers and some sign of DeeDee's gratitude, an acknowledgment that it was he who saved her life. This is an unsettlingly beautiful story of obsession by an acknowledged master of classical restraint. Translated from the Dutch by David Doherty

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